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HOME DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Shimla-2, the 17th July, 1992

No. Home (A) A (9) 24/92.—WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Himachal Pradesh Government that a clash between the devotees and the police force deployed for maintenance of law and order at Mairi Fair at Una took place on March 21, 1992;

AND WHEREAS, it has been alleged that the Police Force allegedly abused their authority, beat up the devotees and unduly tried to violate the sanctity of the religious place;

AND WHEREAS, the District Magistrate, Una had ordered a Magisterial Enquiry to get at the truth behind this incidence;

AND WHEREAS, the Governor of Himachal Pradesh is of the opinion that it would be more expedient and in the public interest to appoint a Commission of Inquiry to inquire into the aforesaid occurrence which is a matter of public importance;

Now, THEREFORE, the Governor of Himachal Pradesh in exercise of the powers vested in him under section 3 (1) of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952, is pleased to appoint Shri Surjeet Singh, District and Sessions Judge, Mandi as the Commission of Inquiry and to enquire into and report on the following matters in relation to the aforementioned occurrence within a period of 6 months from the date of publication of this notification:—

- (1) What was the situation prevailing on the spot before and after the incident?
- (2) What were the facts and circumstances leading to the alleged beatings, stone throwing and arson etc. and what were the reactions and responses of the law and order enforcement machinery deployed at site?
- (3) Whether it is a fact that some of the police personnel by virtue of their conduct violated the sanctity of the religious place?
- (4) Whether it is a fact that they disturbed the recitation of the Akhand Path and beat the Granthis?
- (5) What was the role played by the security guards, if any attached to the Granthi of the religious place?
- (6) To recommend steps necessary for the prevention of recurrence of such incidents in future; and
- (7) any other matter which in the opinion of the Commission is relevant to the ascertaining of facts relating to this aforesaid occurrence?

Further, the Governor of Himachal Pradesh, is of the opinion that having regard to the nature of the enquiry to be conducted and other circumstances of the case, the provisions of sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of section 5 of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952, should be made applicable to the Commission and in exercise of the powers vested in him under sub-section (1) of section 5 of the aforesaid Act is pleased to direct that the provisions mentioned in sub-section (2), (3), (4) and (5) of section 5 shall apply to the Commission.

The Commission shall have its headquarters at Mandi and may also visit such places including District Una as may be necessary in the furtherance of the Inquiry.

By order,

Sd/-
Chief Secretary